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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q80884

Sanshiro TAKESHITA, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/816,196

Group Art Unit: 2854

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Examiner: Marissa L. FERGUSON

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For: STABLE AREA DETECTION DEVICE OF PLATEN GAP AND RECORDING APPARATUS

**SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In the Office Action dated August 19, 2005, the Examiner contends that the Amendment filed on June 3, 2005, is not fully responsive because it does not set forth distinctions between the newly added claims and the applied references. To address the Examiner's concern, Applicants supplement the "New Claims" section on page 7 of the Amendment. Applicant believes that the current submission addresses all of the issues raised in the Office Actions of August 19, 2005 and March 11, 2005.

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